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**LETTER OF DEFICIENCY #WSEB 04-006**  
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Mohammad Sheikh  
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Subject: Ossipee Public Water System: Mount Whittier Motel (EPA #1848030)

Dear Mr. Sheikh:

The records of the Department of Environmental Services (DES) show that the Mount Whittier Motel water system is classified as a public water system (PWS), as defined by RSA 485:1-a. A PWS is defined as any water system supplying 15 or more services, or 25 or more people, for 60 or more days per year.

**BACTERIA MONITORING/REPORTING**

Pursuant to NH Admin. Rule Env-Ws 325, the water system owner is required to submit samples according to the system's established schedule to the State laboratory or a State-certified laboratory for coliform bacteria analysis. DES records show that the subject water system failed to submit bacteria samples and as a result Monitoring/Reporting (M/R) violations were issued for the following months:

**June 2003 and December 2003**

In view of the bacteria M/R violations, DES believes the deficiencies can be corrected by taking the following actions:

**By February 13, 2004**, submit a water "make up" sample for bacteria analysis to the state laboratory, or a state-certified laboratory, in accordance with NH Admin. Rule Env-Ws 325.04. Please use the enclosed analysis result form when submitting the sample to your laboratory.

Pursuant to Env-Ws 351, owners of public water systems are required to issue public notification when a system has failed to monitor for bacteriological water quality. DES records show that the water system has failed to perform public notification for the **June 2003** monitoring violation. Additionally, to date the water system has not submitted proof of public notice for the **December 2003** monitoring violation.

In view of the public notice violations, DES believes the deficiencies can be corrected, and future violations prevented, by taking the following actions:

2. **By February 27, 2004** carry out the public notice requirements for the **June 2003 and December 2003** sampling violations; and

**By March 12, 2004**, provide proof of public notice to DES.

**CHEMICAL MONITORING/REPORTING**

Pursuant to NH Admin. Rule Env-Ws 326, the water system owner is required to submit samples according to the system's established schedule to the State laboratory or a State-certified laboratory for chemical analysis. DES records show that the subject water system failed to submit the following chemical sample result for the following monitoring period (calendar quarter):

**Quarter 4 – 2003 – Nitrate and Nitrite**

DES believes the monitoring/reporting deficiencies can be addressed by taking the following actions:

- 4      **By February 13, 2004**, submit a Nitrate and Nitrite "make-up sample" to the State laboratory or a State-certified laboratory, in accordance with NH Admin. rule Env-Ws 326. Please use the enclosed analysis result form when submitting the sample to your laboratory.

**Please be reminded to carry out the public notice requirements and provide proof of public notice to DES for the Quarter 4 - 2003 Nitrate and Nitrite monitoring/reporting violations.**

**Please note that submission of the 2003 nitrate and nitrite "make-up sample" does not relieve you of your obligation to submit a 2004 nitrate sample during the Fourth Quarter (October – December).**

Also, please continue to submit water samples according to the water system's Master Sampling Schedule enclosed.

In the event compliance is not achieved within the periods set forth above, DES may take further enforcement action, including issuing an order requiring the deficiencies be corrected, initiating an administrative fine proceeding and/or referring the matter to the NH Department of Justice for imposition of appropriate penalties.

Please contact Anne Bailey by phone at (603) 271-0672 or by e-mail at [abailey@des.state.nh.us](mailto:abailey@des.state.nh.us) if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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Rene Pelletier, P.G., Manager  
Land Resource Programs

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Enclosure: Master Sampling Schedule  
Public Notice Forms  
Analysis Result Forms

cc: Gretchen Rule, DES Legal Unit  
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EPA, Region 1